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Application No. 10/726,057
Response dated September 13, 2004
Reply to Office Action of August 13, 2004

PATENT 29939/38936A



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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action having a mail date of October 13, 2004. Applicants hereby provisionally elect for examination on the merits, without traverse, the claims of Group II, i.e., claims 8-21. In doing so, the Applicants do not intend to abandon the scope of the non-elected claims as originally filed, but may pursue the non-elected claims in a divisional application.

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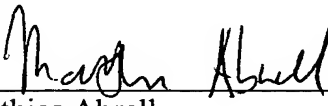
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Respectfully submitted,

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